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In response to the Office Action dated June 3, 2003, Applicants herewith submit  
corrected drawing Figures 1, 2, 3 and 15 with red ink markings showing proposed changes  
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Respectfully submitted,  
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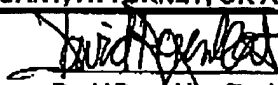
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